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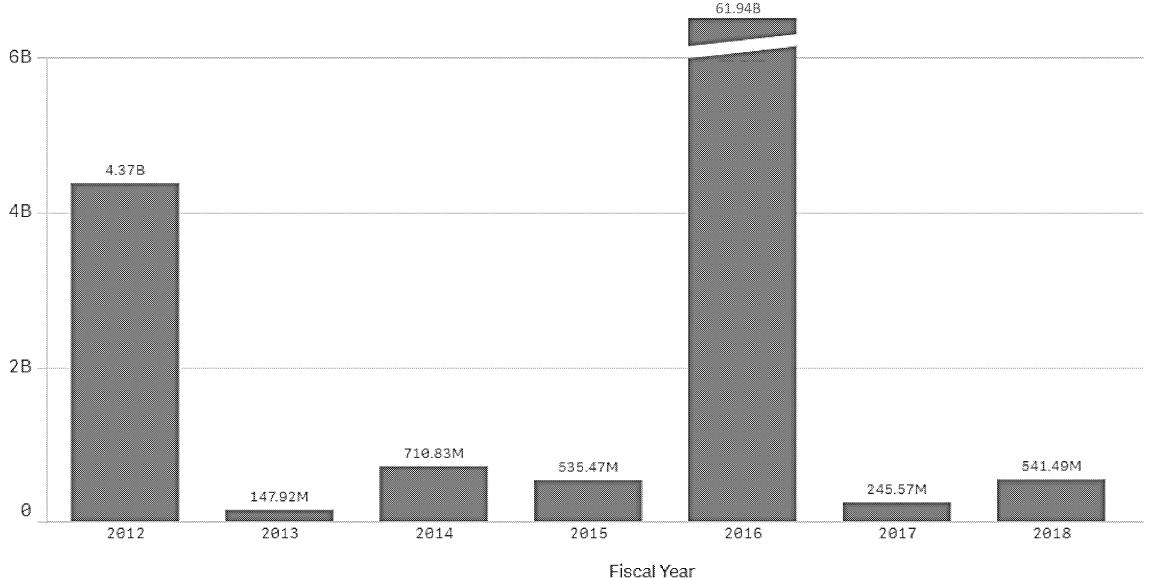


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Estimated Environmental Benefits Hazardous Waste and Non-Hazardous Waste Treated, Minimized, or Properly Disposed FY 2012 – FY 2018



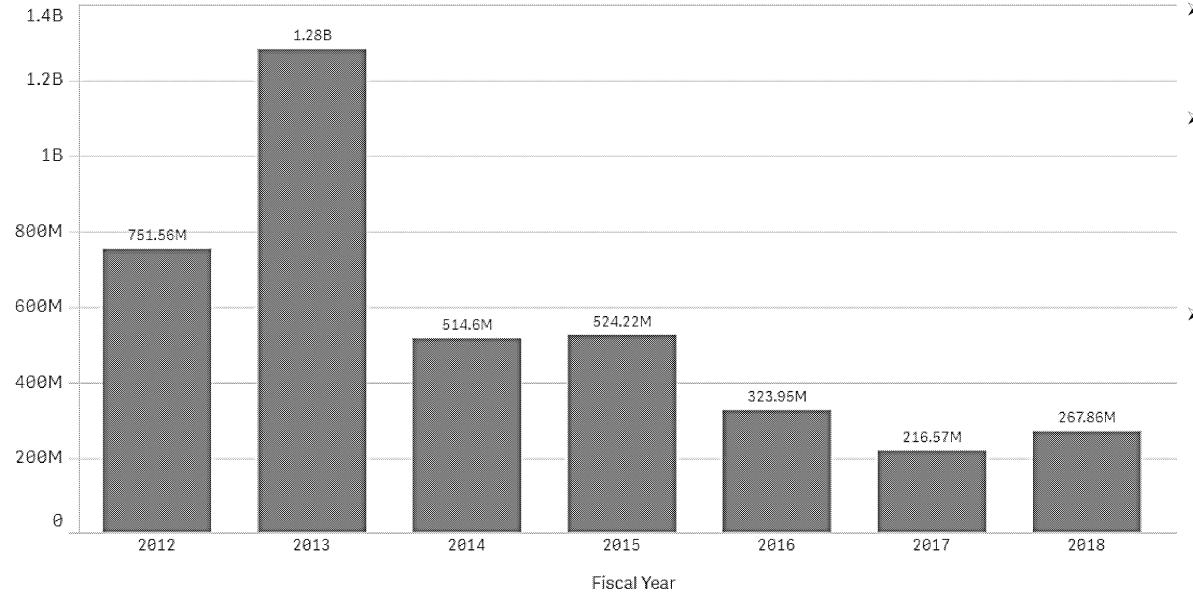


- ➤ In FY 2018, EPA enforcement actions required facilities to commit to treat, minimize, or properly dispose of over an estimated 540 million pounds of hazardous and non-hazardous waste.
- Annual totals for environmental benefits are often strongly influenced by one or two large cases. In FY 2018 two RCRA hazardous waste actions accounted for nearly 99% of the national total.
- FY 2016, the IMC Phosphates Co. (Mosaic Fertilizer) RCRA case accounted for over 99% of the hazardous and non-hazardous waste total of 62 billion pounds in that year.
- 1. Starting in FY 2012, EPA changed the way it stores environmental benefit information in the ICIS data system. Therefore, data are not available for years prior to FY 2012.
- 2. Starting in FY 2016, EPA combined reductions in hazardous waste and non-hazardous waste into one measure.

Data Source: Integrated Compliance Information System (ICIS)

Estimated Environmental Benefits: Commitments to Reduce, Treat, or Eliminate Pollution (Air, Toxics, and Water) FY 2012 – FY 2018





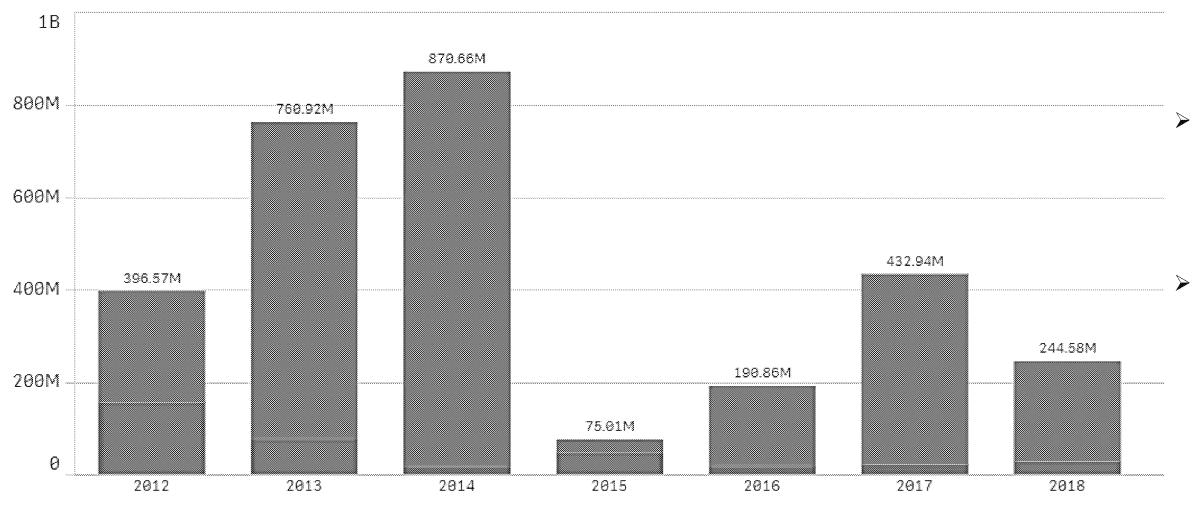
- In FY 2018, EPA enforcement actions required facilities to commit to reduce, treat, or eliminate pollution by an estimated 268 million pounds per year.
- Annual totals for environmental benefits are often influenced by one or two large cases. In FY 2018 the Midwest Generation (a CAA stationary source action) committed to reduce, treat, or eliminate an estimated 105 million pounds per year, which accounts for nearly 40% of the national total.
- ➤ EPA has, through actions in prior years, addressed the largest stationary sources of air pollution and the largest municipal dischargers. As a result, we recently have increased our focus on reducing toxic pollutants, which are less in volume but higher in toxicity.

1. Starting in FY 2012, EPA changed the way it stores environmental benefit information in the ICIS data system. Therefore, data are not available for years prior to FY 2012.

Data Source: Integrated Compliance Information System (ICIS)

Estimated Environmental Benefits: Volume of Contaminated Soil and Water to be Cleaned Up FY 2012 – FY 2018





➤ In FY 2018, EPA enforcement actions obtained commitments to clean up over 244 million cubic yards of contaminated soil and water.

Annual totals of soil and water to be cleaned up are often strongly influenced by the existence of one or two large cases. For example, in FY 2013 and FY 2014 three big cases accounted for the majority of the soil and water to be cleaned up.

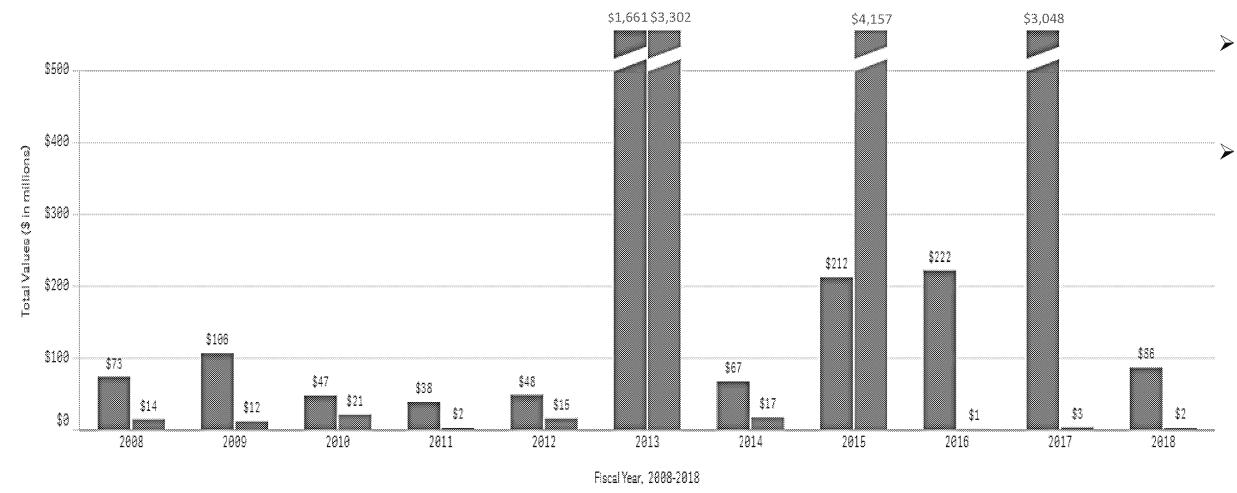
Fiscal Year, Environmental Benefit Metric

- Estimated Contaminated Soil/Debris to be Cleaned Up (cubic yds) Estimated Contaminated Water/Aquifer to be Cleaned Up (cubic yds)
- 1. Starting in FY 2012, EPA changed the way it stores environmental benefit information in the ICIS data system. Therefore, data are not available for years prior to FY 2012.
- 2. Starting in FY 2018, the Agency is reporting contaminated soil cleanup from all cases, not just from RCRA Corrective Action and CERCLA cases as in past years. However, RCRA and CERCLA cases account for more than 99% of the FY 2018 total.

Data Source: Integrated Compliance Information System (ICIS)

Criminal Enforcement Value of Fines and Restitution and Court Ordered Environmental Projects FY 2008 – FY 2018





- ➤ In FY 2018, the total of criminal fines, restitution, and court ordered projects was \$88 million.
- Annual totals vary widely due to large cases such as BP in 2013, Duke Energy in 2015, and Volkswagen in 2017.

1. All prior FY dollar figures in the graph are adjusted to reflect the current value in FY 2018 dollars based on the monthly rate of inflation/deflation as determined by the U.S. Department of Labor Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers.

2. Dollar figures referenced in the bullets are nominal values. They are not adjusted to reflect inflation/deflation.

Value of Court Ordered Environmental Projects

Data Source: Criminal Case Reporting System

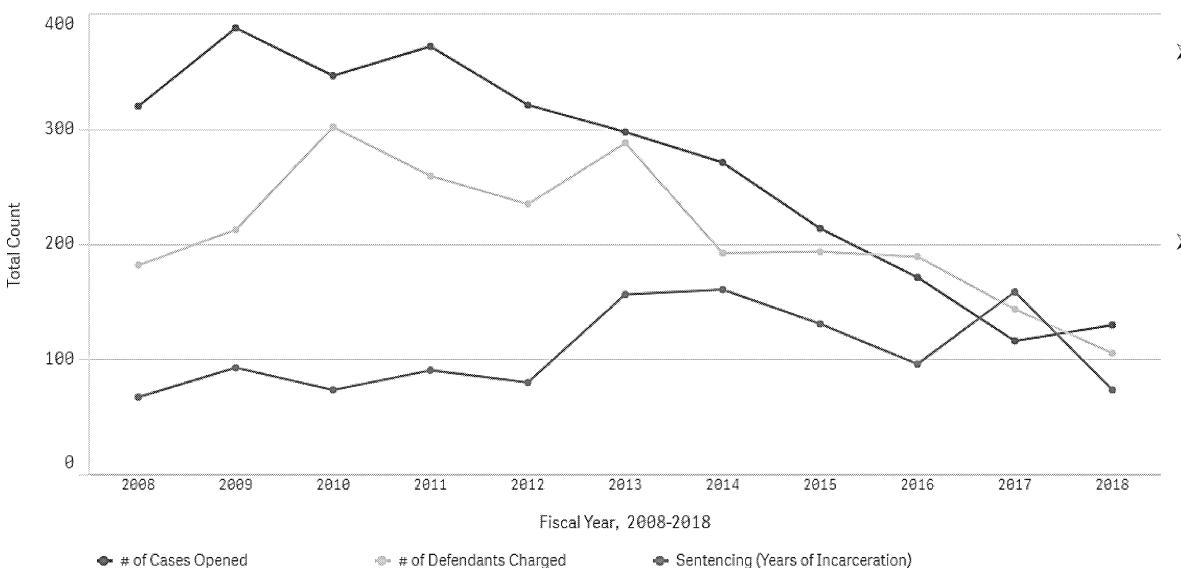
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■ Value of Fines and Restitution

Criminal Enforcement Environmental Crime Cases Opened, Defendants Charged, and Sentencing Results (Years of Incarceration)

FY 2008 - FY 2018





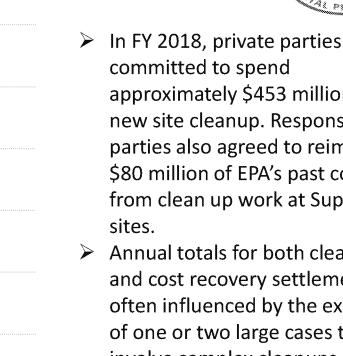
- ➤ In FY 2018, the criminal program continued to focus on complex cases that involve a serious threat to human health and the environment and/or undermine program integrity.
- For the first time since FY 2011, the number of environmental crime cases opened increased.

Data Source: Criminal Case Reporting System

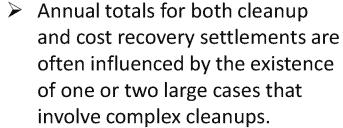
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Superfund Enforcement Private Party Commitments FY 2008 - FY 2018





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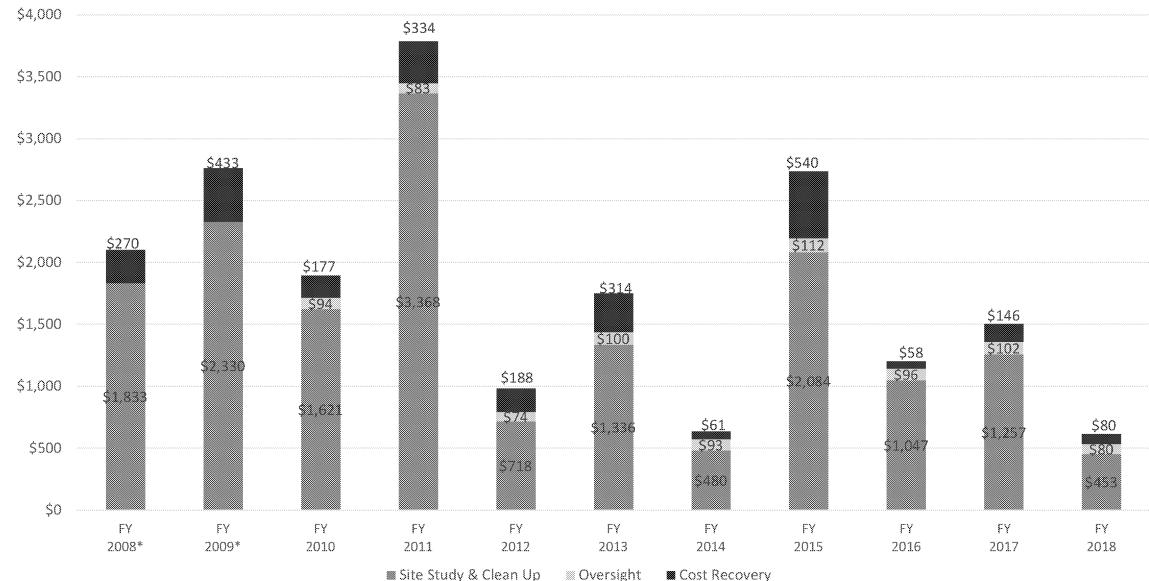
approximately \$453 million on

new site cleanup. Responsible

\$80 million of EPA's past costs

parties also agreed to reimburse

from clean up work at Superfund



1. Totals include "allowed claims" under bankruptcy settlements.

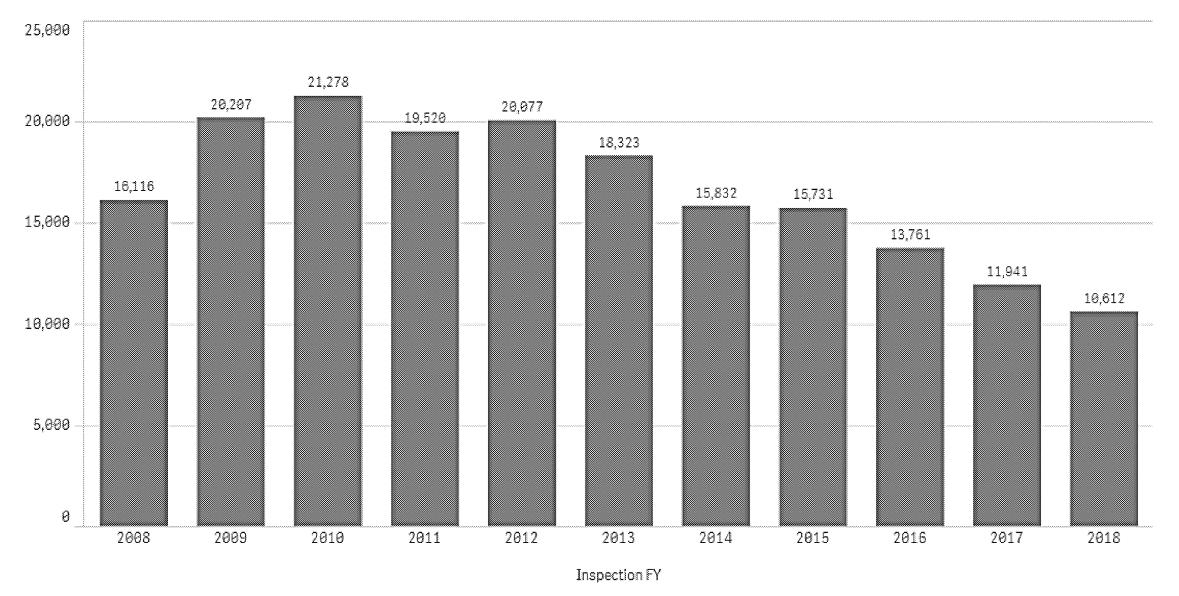
\$ Value in Millions

- 2. These results do not include commitments made for activities at Federally-owned or operated facilities.
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- 4. Dollar figures referenced in the bullets are nominal values. They are not adjusted to reflect inflation/deflation.
- * Amounts billed for Oversight were not reported as part of end-of-year results prior to FY 2010.

Data Source for Cleanup and Cost Recovery: FY08-FY13 Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation & Liability Information System (CERCLIS); FY14/15 Manual Reporting; FY16 forward Superfund Enterprise Management System (SEMS). Data Source for Oversight: Compass Business Objects Reporting (CBOR). Data as of: Oct-16-2018

Federal Inspections and Evaluations (Conducted by EPA) FY 2008 – FY 2018



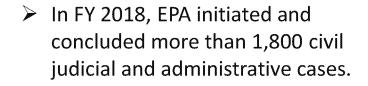


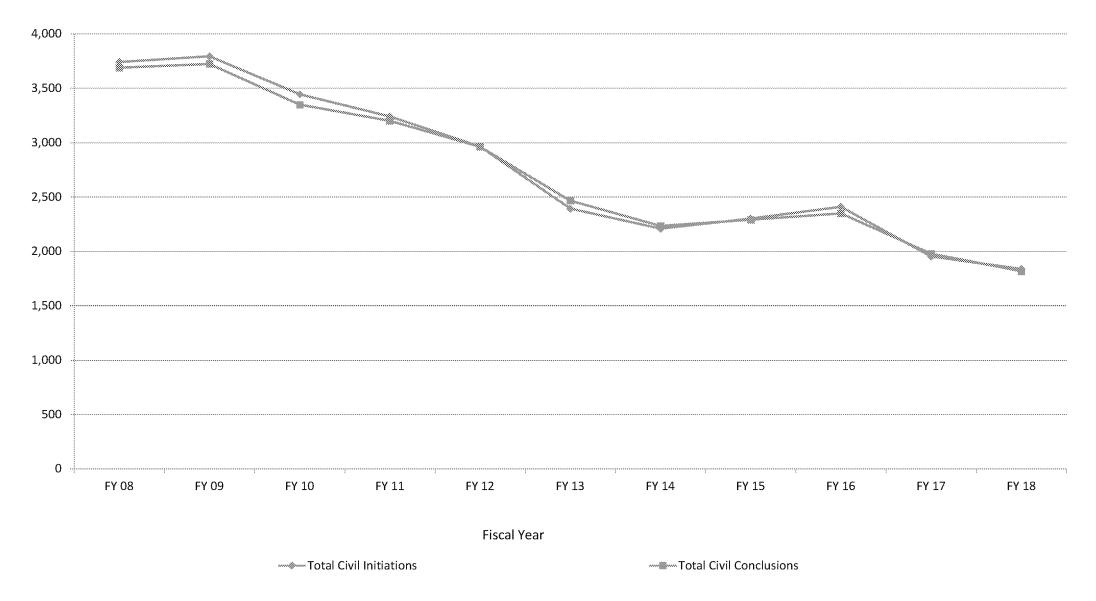
- ➤ In FY 2018, EPA conducted 10,600 inspections/evaluations.
- ➤ EPA continues to use data analytics and other tools to improve inspection targeting, which allows it to use its inspection resources more efficiently.

Data Source: ICIS, RCRA Info (for RCRA HW), manual (for SDWA UIC)

Total Civil Enforcement Case Initiations and Conclusions FY 2008 – FY 2018







1. Totals include CERCLA Initiations and Conclusions.

Data Source: Integrated Compliance Information System (ICIS)

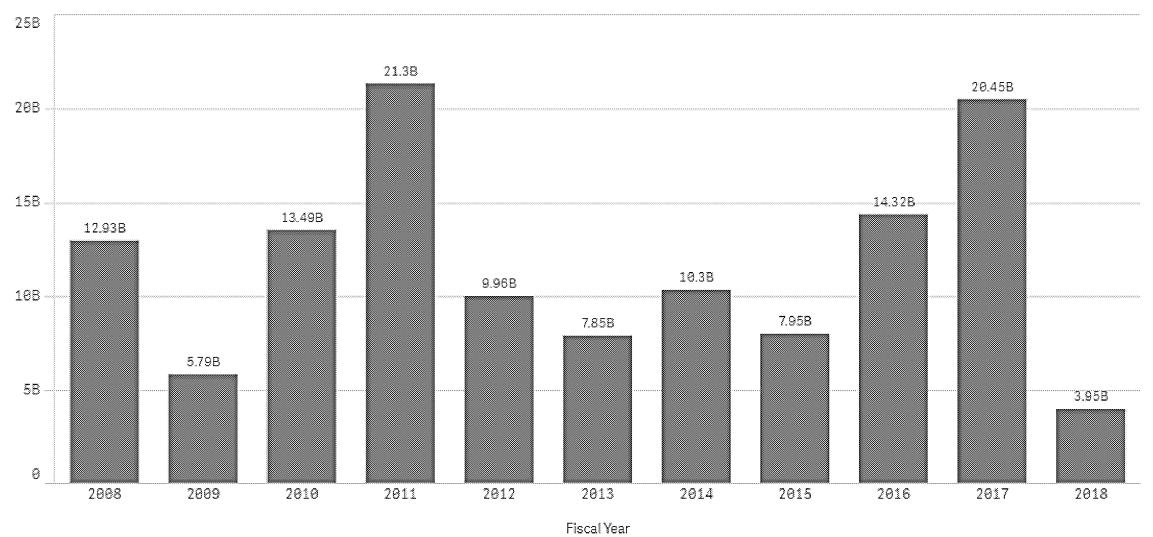
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Total Initiations and Conclusions

Estimated Value of Administrative and Civil Judicial Complying Actions (Injunctive Relief) FY 2008 – FY 2018



Prior FY Totals Inflation Adjusted to Reflect the Current Totals in FY 2018 Dollars



- ➤ In FY2018, EPA enforcement actions required companies to invest nearly \$4 billion in actions and equipment to control pollution (injunctive relief.)
- ➤ Injunctive Relief results vary from year to year depending on the timing of the resolution of the largest cases.

- 1. Injunctive relief requires a regulated entity to perform, or refrain from performing, some designated action to bring the entity into compliance with environmental laws.
- 2. All prior FY dollar figures in the graph are adjusted to reflect the current value in FY2018 dollars based on the monthly rate of inflation/deflation as determined by the U.S. Department of Labor Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers.

Data Source: Integrated Compliance Information System (ICIS)

Administrative and Civil Judicial Penalties Assessed FY 2008 - FY 2018



In FY 2018, EPA obtained over \$69 million

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or two large cases.

in federal administrative and civil judicial

strongly influenced by the existence of one

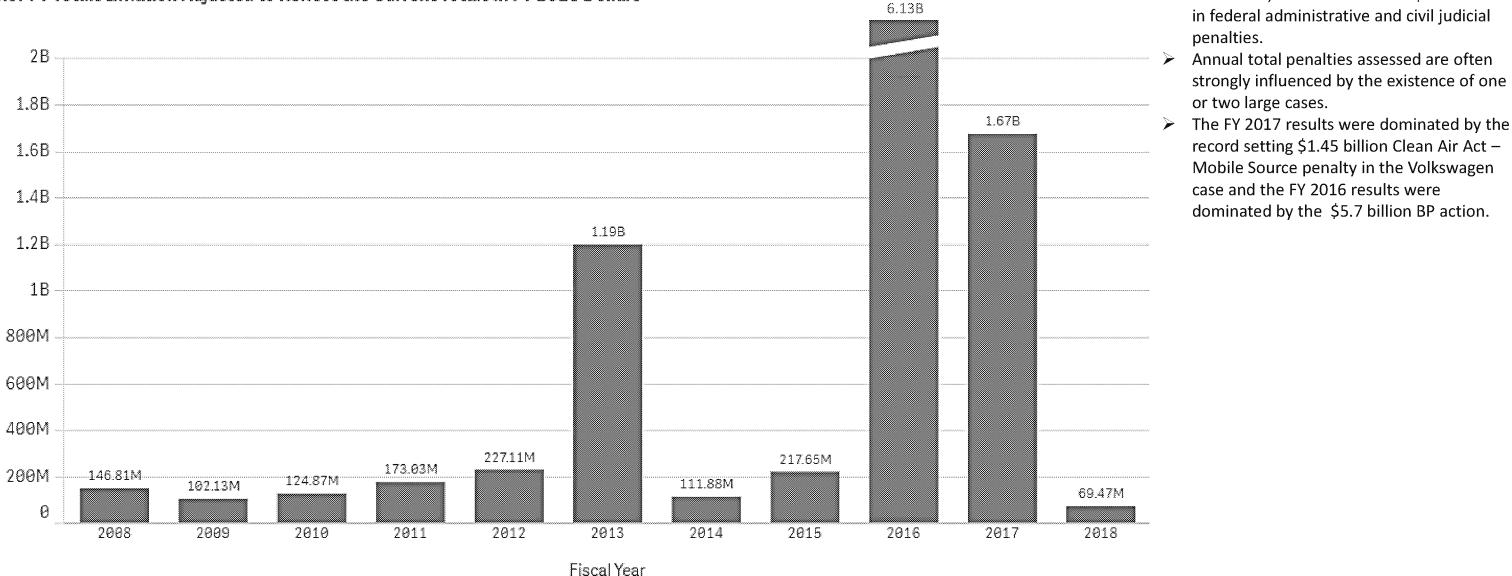
record setting \$1.45 billion Clean Air Act -

Mobile Source penalty in the Volkswagen

dominated by the \$5.7 billion BP action.

case and the FY 2016 results were





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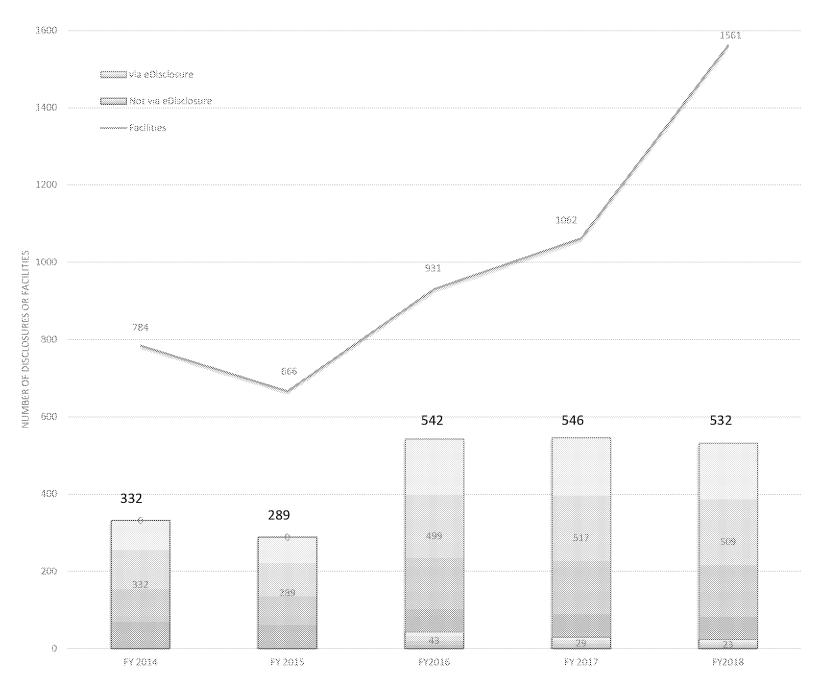
Data Source: Integrated Compliance Information System (ICIS)

Data as of: Dec-9-2018

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EPA Voluntary Disclosure Programs FY 2014 – FY 2018





- ➢ In FY 2018, 532 entities at over 1,500 facilities voluntarily disclosed violations pursuant to EPA's self-disclosure policies. The 47% increase in facilities self-disclosing violations over 2017 is attributed to several New Owner Audit Agreements involving large numbers of facilities.
- ➤ In the nearly three years since launching *eDisclosure*, EPA has seen about a 74% increase in the number of annual self-disclosures as compared to the two years prior to its launch.

Data Source: Integrated Compliance Information System (ICIS) and eDisclosure

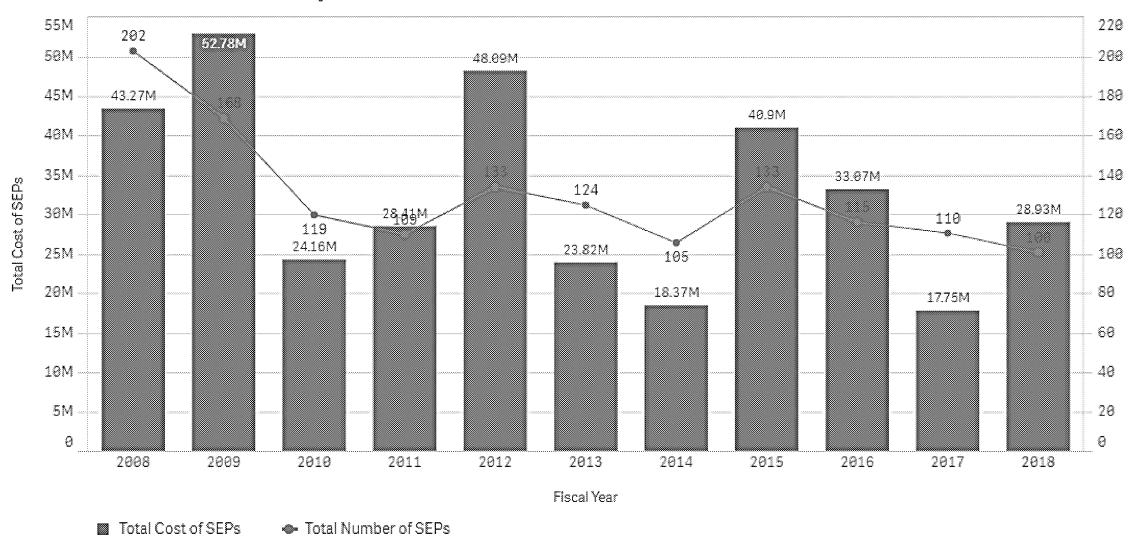
System

Data as of: Nov-5-2018

Supplemental Environmental Projects (SEPs) FY 2008 – FY 2018



Prior FY Total Cost of SEPs Inflation Adjusted to Reflect the Current Totals in FY 2018 Dollars



- ➤ In FY 2018, EPA enforcement cases included 100 voluntary agreements to perform Supplemental Environmental Projects (SEPs) with a total estimated cost of over \$28 million.
- SEPs are projects that are not otherwise legally required that have a close nexus to the violations and that a defendant/respondent agrees to undertake to benefit the community harmed by the violations and partially offset a penalty.

Total Number of SEPs

- 1. A single settlement can have multiple SEPs.
- 2. All prior FY dollar figures in the graph are adjusted to reflect the current value in FY 2018 dollars based on the monthly rate of inflation/deflation as determined by the U.S. Department of Labor Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers.

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Data as of: Dec-9-2018

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Acronyms and Descriptions for Statutes/Sections





CAA Clean Air Act

CERCLA Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act ("Superfund")

CWA Clean Water Act

EPCRA Emergency Planning & Community Right-to-Know Act

FIFRA Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act

MPRSA Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act

RCRA Resource Conservation & Recovery Act

SDWA Safe Drinking Water Act

TSCA Toxic Substances Control Act

Title 18 U.S. Criminal Code - Crimes and Criminal Procedure